March 31, 1998

Steering Committee
The Steering Committee met March 20. At this meeting, the Committee approved the reallocation of $200,000 from Project 2, which has been discontinued. The funds were reallocated as follows:

Project 1 – up to $60,000
　　To purchase additional software.
Project 5 – up to $100,000
　　To develop a system to allow counties to submit valuation information electronically for property tax purposes, and to file city and county annual reports.
Project 13 - up to $40,000
　　To translate Galileo into Spanish and to purchase a kiosk in the pilot community for public use.

Projects Update
Project 1: IOWAccess Network
The project vendor, Iowa Interactive, has been meeting with project leads and contractors to determine how the project will interface with other projects. Iowa Interactive is also exploring options for dealing with the failure of the digital signature bill in the legislature.

Project 1's next meeting will be April 21.

Projects 2 & 3: Internet Training Materials and Program
As many of you know, Project 2, the Internet materials development project with Arizona State University, has been cancelled. Funds allocated to this project were reallocated to Projects 1, 5, and 13.

Project 3 has completed all 77 scheduled Internet training sessions for city, county, state, and federal government employees. The sessions were divided into seven self-contained independent modules specifically designed to meet the needs of the trainees. More than 170 frontline government employees from the Sioux City, Fort Dodge, and Eddyville areas participated in the sessions.

Project 4: Internet Pilot Project in Area XV
The project is on schedule with centers in Albia and Bloomfield operational and centers in Corydon and Oskaloosa scheduled to open later this spring.

Project 5: Online Budget and Tax Information
The Steering Committee has allocated up to an additional $100,000 to Project 5 to develop a system to allow counties to submit valuation information electronically for property tax purposes, and to file city and county annual reports.

Project 6: Online Housing and Finance Services
Iowa State University continues to gather data on existing housing resources. To date, more than 175 lenders have been contacted. Project leads and ISU representatives will meet with Iowa Interactive to discuss how this project will interface with Project 1.

Project 7: First Stop Business License Center, Professional Licensing Center & Regulation Guide
Project leads met with the Iowa Interactive Team yesterday to discuss how Project 1 will interface with Project 7.

Project 8: GIS
The project team met yesterday and discussed the project's status. The team is finalizing a joint educational session with Iowa State University Extension to be offered in September. ISU Extension will develop a survey component to assess the benefit of the session. The team continues to work with the Governor's office on signing the Executive Order formalizing the Iowa Geographic Information Council (IGIC). Ann Peton, Iowa GIS Coordinator, met with Iowa Interactive yesterday to discuss how the two can work together in getting the GIS Clearinghouse on-line. The team's next meeting will be Friday, May 1 from 2:00 – 4:00 pm.

Project 9: STAWRS
Project 9 is in the process of purchasing software and hardware. The software for the next pilot is on schedule and should be available at the end of April. The contract with Software Control International is being finalized.

Project 10: Electronic Commerce Business Plan
Project 10 team met with Jim Youngblood and others from Iowa Technology Services (ITS) Division at their March 27 meeting. The input from ITS was helpful for the vendor (KPMG) and the team. KPMG and ITS are working to further define the level of depth for the business plan and the desirable features of the guidebook for the front-line government users. Following the meetings between ITS and KPMG, a revised business plan will be further reviewed by the team. The anticipated March 31 completion date has been moved back at least an additional 30 calendar days.

Project 11: Environmental Permitting
Windsor Technologies has completed a full work plan that details what Windsor will be actively working on over the next few months. If you would like a copy of the work plan, contact Andy Warren at 515/243-2000.

Project 12: Automated Booking Station Pilot
The next project team has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 15 from 1:30 – 3:30 pm.

Project 13: Community Resource Directory Pilot

The Steering Committee allocated up to an additional $40,000 to translate Galileo into Spanish and to purchase a kiosk in the pilot community for public use. North Light and Iowa Workforce Development are developing their bids on the amount needed to create the interface between the two systems, for the purpose of enrolling for services from the Galileo site.

Project 14: Integrated Client Information for Mental Health Services
Project leads met with Iowa Interactive yesterday to discuss how Project 14 will interface with Project 1. The meetings with CPCs and DHS staff have been rescheduled for Wednesday, April 1, 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the State Public Policy Group conference room (200 10th Street, 5th Floor, Des Moines) and Thursday, April 2, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Iowa State Association of Counties conference room (701 E. Court, Des Moines). These sessions will be identical.

Meetings Schedule
Citizens Council
Friday, April 17
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Federal Building, 8th Floor, Des Moines - remote ICN connections available

Project 1: IOWAccess Network
Tuesday, April 21
1:30 – 3:30 pm
Site TBA

Tuesday, May 19
1:30 - 3:30 pm
Site TBA

Project 6: Online Housing and Finance Services
Friday, April 24
10:00 am - Noon
Site TBA

Project 7: First Stop Business License Center, Professional Licensing Center & Regulation Guide
Wednesday, May 13
10:00 am - Noon
Iowa Department of Economic Development

Wednesday, July 8
10:00 am - Noon
Iowa Department of Economic Development

Project 9: STAWRS

Thursday, April 16
1:30 - 3:30 pm
Iowa Department of Employment Services - remote ICN connections
available

Project 11: Environmental Permitting
Tuesday, May 5
2:30 - 4:30 pm
Sites TBA

Project 12: Automated Booking Station Pilot
Wednesday, April 15
1:30 – 3:30 pm
US Department of Veterans Affairs – remote ICN connections available

Project 14: Integrated Client Information for Mental Health Services
Monday, April 27
1:30 – 3:30 pm
Veteran's Affairs – remote ICN connections available